

### **Amendments to the Specification:**

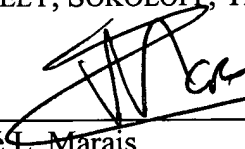
Please replace paragraph 001 Cross Reference to Related Applications with the following:

This application is a Continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/237,194, filed January 26, 1999, which is a Continuation of U.S. Patent No. 5,899,855, issued May 4, 1999, which is a FWC of U.S. Serial No. 08/233,397, filed April 26, 1994, now abandoned, which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent No. 5,307,263, issued April 26, 1994. This application is also related to applicant and assignee's co-pending applications listed below: U.S. Patent 5,960,403 (USSN 09/136,512) which is a Continuation-in-Part of Application Serial No. 08/481,925, filed June 7, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,899,855, issued on May 4, 1999, which is a FWC of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/233,397 filed on April 26, 1994, now abandoned, which is a Continuation-in-Part of Application Serial No. 07/977,323, filed November 17, 1992, and issued as U.S. Pat. No. 5,307,263. This patent is also a Continuation-in-Part of Application Serial No. 08/666,242, filed June 20, 1996, now abandoned. This application is related to U.S. Patent 6,168,563 (USSN 09/271,217) which is a Continuation-In-Part of Application Serial No. 08/481,925, filed June 7, 1995, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,899,855, which is a FWC of Application Ser. No. 08/233,397, filed Apr. 26, 1994 (now abandoned), which in turn is a Continuation-in-Part of Application Serial No. 07/977,323, filed November 17, 1992 (which has since issued as U.S. Pat. No. 5,307,263); and a Continuation-in-Part of Application Serial No. 08/946,341, filed October 7, 1997, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,997,475, which claims priority from Provisional Application Serial No. 60/041,746 filed Mar. 28, 1997 and from provisional application Ser. No. 60/041,751 filed Mar. 28, 1997; all of which are incorporated herein by reference. This application is related to U.S. Patent 5,897,493 (USSN 08/847,009) which also claims priority from Provisional Application No. 60/041,751 and 60/041,746 filed Mar. 28, 1997. This application is related to U.S. Application Serial No. 09/658,209 filed on September 8, 2000; U.S. Application Serial No. 10/233,296 filed on August 30, 2002, U.S. Application Serial No. 09/665,242 March 28, 1997; U.S. Application Serial No. 10/319,427 December 12, 2002; and U.S. Application Serial No. 09/713,922 November 15, 2000.

- If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of the present application, the
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